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what's happening at the bridge

Our *mission* at the bridge Presbyterian Church is to
help people

Connect with God's people in your life
Connect with God's purpose in your life
Connect with God's passion for your life

Ways to Connect with God's *mission* at the bridge

Fri. Jan. 24 - 10:00 am - Book Club Small Group

Sun. Feb. 2 - Scout Sunday

Sun. Feb. 2 - Equal Exchange Available

Sun. Feb. 9 - 10:00 - One Service -

Congregational Meeting immediately afterwards

Sun. Feb. 9 - Matthew's Ministry Packing after meeting

Fri. Feb. 14 - 10:00 - 2:30 - Blood Drive

Weekly Ministry Team Meetings

Tue. Jan. 21 - 4:00 pm - Children and Family Team

Wed. Jan. 22 - 3:00 pm - Prayer and Care Team

Wed. Jan. 22 - 4:00 pm - Generosity Team

Weekly Small Groups

Mon. - 6:00 pm - Boy Scouts and SOS (Siblings of Scouts)

Tue. - 10:00 am - Sleep Mats for Homeless

Tue. - 7:00 pm - Al-Anon Group Meeting

Tue. - 7:00 pm - A.A. Group Meeting

Wed. - 8:00 am - Men's Prayer and Share Small Group

Sat. - 7:00 pm - A.A. Group Meeting

Sun. - 7:30 pm - A.A. Group Meeting

The bridge Core Habits

What does a disciple of Jesus Christ look like at **the bridge**? Our core habits answer that question. Our core habits are:

*Pray daily - Worship together weekly - Welcome & Include everyone - Belong to a small group -
Give generously - Cherish children -
Forgive & reconcile continually - Serve our community*

Worship Weekly

Date: January 19, 2020

Title: Casting & Mending

Text: Matthew 4: 18 - 22

Questions:

- When you hear the word net, what sort of images come to mind?
- In the gospel story, what were the disciples doing with their nets when they met Jesus?
- Where were you when you first met Jesus?



bridge "Notes" from Patty

Hey bridge friends,
There are teams of people working to ensure that our Sunday worship services flow seamlessly. We want our services to flow like a smooth silk ribbon. You can help us with this as it relates to announcements. Effective communication is SO VERY IMPORTANT! Last minute announcements sometimes get left out or delivered sloppily... (by me) so if you have an announcement that needs to be communicated at the start of the service, PLEASE let me know by either emailing me: at patty.lyerly@gmail.com or calling me 910-795-3403 no later than Wednesday before Sunday. Last minute add-ins make that flowing ribbon thing difficult. If your announcement needs to be on a scrolling slide, send it to me and I will forward to our tech team but by Wednesday please. Help us keep it smooth.

Patty

Pray Daily



- Mike Spradley - medical issues
- Dave Maher - heart bypass
- Del Shaffar - knee replacement

Welcome and Include Everyone

Servers for Sunday, January 19th

Ushers



9:00 am – Bob Dixon, Greer Broadwater, Harry and Ethel Adams

10:30 am - Phil and Arleen Godshall, Jerry and Teresa Pierce

Greeters



9:00 am - Ethel Adams and Sandy Kotch, Dave and Jan Steffenauer

10:30 am - Arleen Godshall, Charlynnne Caillaud

Connecting Partners



9:00 am - Kathy Dixon

10:30 am - Judy Bath and Joyce Roberts

Give Generously

Last Sunday, Jan. 12, 2020

Attendance 103 (4-week average)
Offering \$ 4,654 (4-week average)
Offering \$ 5,929 (8-week average)
Actual Attendance 135
Actual Offering \$ 2,788

The Bridge Presbyterian Church Income & Expense for 2019

Date Range: Jan 1st 2019 - Dec 31st 2019 | Filtered by: Fund, Core Account

Accounts	Actual (This Year to Date)	Annual Budget (This Year)
Revenues		
Giving	278,915.98	316,713.60
Grants/Gifts	2,968.00	0.00
Other	2,342.97	1,800.00
Total Revenues	\$ 284,226.95	\$ 318,513.60
Expenses		
Salaries	161,207.40	174,395.52
Building & Grounds	112,706.03	116,013.18
Worship Team	3,042.23	3,600.00
Hospitality Team	1,759.99	4,596.00
Small Groups	0.00	600.00
Children & Family Ministry Team	2,134.50	2,640.00
Prayer & Care	172.69	600.00
Mission Team	6,212.89	6,240.00
Property Team	408.44	690.00
Administrative	10,803.22	8,599.04
Total Expenses	\$ 298,447.39	\$ 317,973.74
Net Total	(\$ 14,220.44)	\$ 539.86

Serve Our Community

The Mission Team is moving toward featuring one Sustainable Mission Partner each month. Instead of donations, we are trying to plan more hands on projects when possible. Participation in our projects is always if The Spirit moves you.

2020 Mission Calendar

January-	Hope Harbor Home
February- Stand)	American Red Cross (Blood Drive), Boy Scouts (Pinewood Derby Concession
March-	New Hope Clinic (office donations and/or yard cleanup)
April-	UPRECO (donations)
May-	Kids World Academy (book drive), UPRECO (donations)
June-	Brunswick County Street Reach (Angel Tree Camp donations and sponsorships), Homeless needs
July-	Brunswick Family Assistance (Christmas In July)
August-	The bridge Vacation Bible School
September-	Matthew's Ministry
October- for	Hope Harbor Home (Safe House donations, Thrift Store donations, and/or meals Empowerment Support Program)
November-	Leland House (Christmas Angel Tree)
December-	Kids World Academy (Christmas Stockings), Brunswick Family Assistance (Toys for Tots)

Ongoing ministries that need volunteers-

Food Packing for Matthew's Ministry
Worship Service and Craft Day at Leland House
Streetreach Mats for Homeless
Brunswick Family Assistance Office and Food Pantry
Kids World Academy and Brunswick County Schools Tutoring



BFA Distribution Day

The next commodities distribution will be Thursday, February 13th. This will be the biggest distribution yet! Packing will be done on Wednesday, February 12th from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. Distribution will begin with intake at 2:00 am on Thursday and last until approximately 1:00 pm. Sign up to pack or distribute on the BFA Volunteer Hub. Be sure to wear your **bridge** T-shirt!



Disaster Recovery Update

Classes

4 hour "Heartsaver" first aid, CPR, and AED training sessions will be held on Tuesdays January 21st and March 24th at 5:30 pm and Saturdays February 15th and March 25th at 10:00 am in the USO Community Center building on the Corner of 2nd and Orange Streets in Wilmington. A valid photo ID is required. The cost is \$63.95 plus an additional \$19.95 for the training manual. Anyone interested should contact Mike Weldon (518-269-7107) about registration details.

Belong to a Small Group

The sign-up sheets for the interest based small groups will be on the tables on Sunday. The groups will start this month if they haven't already. If you missed signing up or if you changed your mind and wish to scratch your name off, please do so this week so the facilitators will have an up-to-date roster. The Sermon Based Small Group (SBSG) sign-ups will be out in February as the next series begins March 1st.

Cherish Children

bridge Builders, our Sunday morning children's program, is located in suite 206 during the 10:30 service. A nursery for infants and toddlers is also provided during the 10:30 service



Sunday Jan. 19th:

Teacher: Tom and Greer Broadwater

Toddlers/Babies: Jan Steffenauer and Page Humphreys

Misc. Announcements

Celebrating Birthdays at the bridge - January



Isabel Poenisch	1
Phillip Poenisch	1
George Wells	1
Emery Wilson	1
David Sink	4
Ken Campbell	12
Arleen Godshall	13
Kathy Davanzo	19
Jim Graham	22
Zoe Stevens	24
Virgil Batten	25
Kathy Dixon	27
Finley Becker	30
Phil Godshall	30

Remember to sign into REALM and put your birthday so I will have it for Currents. If you need help or are not signed into Realm - let me know I can either add your birthday, but I would rather get you using REALM!!



Sweets for Your Sweet: Equal Exchange Valentine's Specials

Valentine's Day is fast approaching! This year give your Valentine a sweet treat that both helps support some 1.5 million small-scale farmers in 30 countries and says to those you love and care about: "You are very special to me."

On Sundays February 2nd and February 9th, we will be selling two Valentine-themed Equal Exchange chocolate gifts for \$5.00 each:

Valentine Boxes (16 dark or milk chocolate minis);

Decorative Tie Bags (20 dark or milk chocolate minis);

and

Chocolate Bars (your choice of flavors at two for \$5.50, a savings of \$.50, or single bars at \$3.00 each).

As a reminder, your Equal Exchange purchases support both the Presbyterian Small Farmers Fund (15 cents for each pound sold) and *help defray the costs of our Sunday coffee service.*

No pre-orders are necessary, but should you want to order ahead, we'll have your order ready on either February 2 or February 9. Checks or cash appreciated. Contacts: Sandy Sears at slsoct@yahoo.com and Marilyn Vernon at Marilyn.vernon2@gmail.com.



Moving Forward at the bridge

We are developing a marketing/communication team that is expected to run through Spring 2020. This team will gather ideas for external communication to get our message out to the North Brunswick Community. We are very excited about spreading and growing who and what we are at the bridge.

If you have ideas or knowledge of how to successfully market and want to join in this exciting time please contact Charlie Riddle at pct917@aol.com or at 908-675-1030.

There will also be a sign up sheet on the table. Please sign up and Charlie will reach out to you.



Bridge Community Bulletin Board



Leland Community Blood Drive Held at Leland Town Hall

In the Cape Fear Training Room
102 Town Hall Drive

**Friday, February 14, 2020
10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**



**American
Red Cross**